

## ABSTRACT

--A packaged article including an adhesive-sided article, such as an adhesive bandage, and packaging formed of top and bottom backing sheets with a release layer disposed either directly on the bottom backing sheet facing the adhesive side of the article or on release paper carried on said bottom backing sheet. The facing surfaces of the top backing sheet and bottom backing sheet peripherally surrounding the adhesive-sided article have cohesive surfaces. An adhesive strip, preferably a double-sided adhesive strip, attaches the non-adhesive side of the adhesive-sided article to the top backing sheet. The top sheet is used as an applicator for placing the article onto a target surface, such as a patient's skin. The cohesive surface of the top sheet surrounding the article does not adhere to the target surface. A release layer applied directly on the bottom backing sheet eliminates additional material and waste. In another embodiment, backing sheets are attached to one another in a stacked relationship with an adhesive-sided article disposed between adjacent backing sheets, such that the bottom of one backing sheet for an adhesive-sided article serves as the top of the adjacent backing sheet for a successive adhesive-sided article.--

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